EXHIBIT I

From: Rick Gates <rgates@
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014, 10:44 AM
To: Person D2
Cc:Person D1

Subject: Re: Items

Excellent. Thank you.

On Jan 29, 2014, at 7:44 AM, Person D2 wrote:

said yes.

Working on piece today and should have draft by tomorrow.

From: Person D1

Date: Wednesday, 29 January 2014 14:41

To: Rick Gates < rgates@

Cc: Person D2

Subject: Re: Items

Sure

But they will ask if that means they are renewed for the next 6 months or not....

On Jan 29, 2014, at 1:31 PM, Rick Gates < rgates@ wrote:

D1/D2

We have an assignment in regards to an oped that was published in the NYT yesterday which I am placing below. We need to have one of our friends write an oped that focuses on two things. A partial response to the NYT piece, and focus on the differences between a legitimate opposition and violent thugs such as:

- 1. There is a great difference between legitimate political protest which is non-violent and violent attacks on police officers and public buildings.
- 2. The former is an essential component of democracy. The latter has no place in the political dialogue of democracy.
- 3. The leaders of the Ukrainian opposition and the peaceful protestors in the Maidan need to distance themselves from violent extremists and completely repudiate their actions.
- 4. These leaders cannot allow violent rightwing extremists to exercise a veto over their political decisions and the future of Ukraine.

Let me know a time that you can Skype today to discuss. Thanks.